

Application of: WALKER, Brock
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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Favorable reconsideration and allowance of this application, in view of the present amendments, is respectfully requested.

Claims 5, 9-13, 18-27, 31-33, 37, 38 and 46-59 are currently pending in the application. Claims 14 and 22 were previously cancelled, and claims 1-4, 6-8, 15-17, 28-30, 34-36 and 39-45 have now been cancelled. The undersigned thanks the Examiner for allowing claims 5, 10-13, 27, 32-33, 38 and 46-59. As noted above, the Examiner indicated that claims 8, 9, 17, 18, 30, 31 and 36 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. New claims 60-63 have been added to place those claims in independent form (60=claim 1+8; 61=Claim 1+16 and 17; 62= claim 28+30; and claim 63=claim 34+36, respectively) and dependent claims 18, 31 and 37 have been amended to correct their dependency. Thus, new independent claims 60-63 are believed to be in allowable condition and notice thereof is respectfully requested.

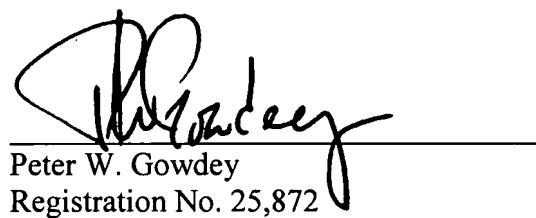
Consequently, in view of the present amendments there remain only allowed claims and the application is believed to be in condition for allowance. An early and favorable action to that effect is respectfully requested.

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